CHARTER

Acadia National Park Advisory Commission

- 1. The official designation of the Commission is the Acadia National Park Advisory Commission.
- 2. The purpose of the Commission is to consult with the Secretary of the Interior, or the Secretary% designee, on matters relating to the management and development of Acadia National Park including but not limited to the acquisition of lands and interests in lands (including conservation easements on islands), and termination of rights of use and occupancy.
- 3. The Commission reports to the Superintendent, Acadia National Park, P.O. Box 177, Bar Harbor, Maine 04609.
- 4. Support for the Commission is provided by the National Park Service, U. S. Department of the Interior.
- 5. The duties of the Commission are solely advisory and are as stated in paragraph 2 above.
- **6.** The estimated annual operating cost of this Commission is \$8,500 which includes the cost of one-quarter work year of staff support.
- 7. The Commission meets approximately three times a year.
- 8. The Commission% membership, as set forth in P.L. 99-420, September 25, 1986, shall be composed of 16 members appointed by the Secretary as follows:
 - a. three members at large;
 - b. three members appointed from among individuals recommended by the Governor of Maine;
 - c. four members, appointed from among individuals recommended by each of the four towns on the island of Mount Desert;
 - d. three members appointed from among individuals recommended by each of the three Hancock County mainland communities of Gouldsboro, Winter Harbor and Trenton; and
 - e. three members, appointed from among individuals recommended by each of the three island towns of Cranberry Isles, Swans Island and Frenchboro.

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- 9. Members will be appointed for 3-year terms. Any vacancy on the Commission shall be filled in the same manner in which the original appointment was made.
- 10. If no new member is appointed on or prior to the expiration date of his **or** her term, then the incumbent member may continue to serve until the new appointment is made, provided that this charter under the Federal Advisory Committee Act, 5 U.S.C. Appendix (1988) is currently in effect.
- 11. The three members appointed by the Secretary under 8.a shall represent interests relating to the management and development of the Park as well as to visitor use.

The Commission shall elect its own chairperson and adopt its own bylaws. A majority of the members of the Commission shall constitute a quorum but a lesser number may hold hearings.

- 12. Any member of the Commission appointed by the Secretary who fails to attend three successive meetings of the Commission, or who otherwise fails to substantively participate in the work of the Commission, may be removed from the Commission by the Secretary and a replacement named.
- 13. Members of the Commission shall serve without compensation as such, except that the Secretary is authorized to pay the expenses reasonably incurred by the Commission in carrying out its responsibilities upon presentment of vouchers signed by the chairperson.
- 14. The Commission shall terminate 20 years after the enactment of P.L. 99-420, September 25, 2006. The Commission is subject to rechartering every biennial anniversary of September 25, 1986, when P.L. 99-420 was enacted. The Commission shall take no action unless the filing requirements of sections 9 and 14 of the Federal Advisory Committee Act have been complied with. This charter will be for the period from September 25, 1992 to 1994.
- 15. The Superintendent, Acadia National Park, or in the Superintendent% absence, a Federal employee designated by the Superintendent, will serve as the Designated Federal Officer required by section 10 of the Federal Advisory Committee Act.

16. The Acadia National Park Advisory Commission was established by Section 103 of P.L. **99-420**, September 25, 1986.

Segretary of the Interior

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